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ORANJESTAD—July 31 will be the last day for motorists to pay the second half of their 1985 numberplates. The receiver of the island reminds all owners of vehicles to comply with their financial commitment and do not wait until the last day.



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GOVERNMENT ADVISES RESIDENTS TO SPEND VACATION IN ARUBA

ORANJESTAD—In a communique issued this week the Island Government advises the people of Aruba to spend their vacation on the island instead of going overseas. The financial situation of the island does not permit many people to go away to spend their vacation, as they did in former years. But we must be conscientious that in spite of Aruba being a small island there are many possibilities for us to enjoy a safe and healthy vacation right here on our island, the communique says. We hear about the IDEFRE vacation plan and the neighborhood center activities, but there is also the initiative of private instances and individuals who merit our support and encouragement. To name a few: there is an organized tennis camp for youths; we could visit the Moko-Zoo Ranch, the Neptali Henriquez Foundation Park; the Mini Golf course The Indian Caves; Historical sites, such as; Ayo, Natural Bridge, the Museum and Arashi. It would also be interesting for parents and youth leaders to organize excursions to places where the children can see something of our economic development,

such as: the Art Foundation, soft drink bottling factories, the cigarette factory, the Public Library etc. According to the communique, it is not the intention to make propaganda for any establishment in particular, but we would like to stimulate our youths and their parents to dedicate their va-

cation to healthy activities. We often hear the remark that there is nothing for the youths in Aruba. Compared to large countries, undoubtedly the possibilities on our island are limited, but due to the difficult situation in which we are passing it is advisable that we enjoy our own facilities. We

have a public transportation company, ARUBUS with buses available for all who would like to visit points of interest on our island. By using our own facilities and visiting our own touristic, historic, educational and recreational sites, we help our own island with its economic development and our

youths will learn to know our beloved island better. On behalf of the Government of Aruba we hope that our youths and their parents enjoy their vacation in Aruba, but don't forget that wherever you go, keep our 'Dushi Aruba clean. A clean Aruba is a pleasant and healthy Aruba, concluded the communique.



ORANJESTAD—Saturday the management of the Aruba Concorde Hotel bade farewell to Mr. Jimenes and his family in the Concorde Ball Room. Since December 1984 Mr. Jimenes resides in Miami, where he holds the post of President of Concorde International Hotels in the main office of this hotel chain. Mr. Jimenes was comptroller at the Aruba Concorde Hotel for many years. On picture from left to right: Mr. Jorge Duran resident manager, son and daughter of Mr. Jimenes, Mr. and Mrs. Jimenes, Mr. and Mrs. Caballero, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Howell, Mr. Gert Kerner, comptroller, Mr. Rudy Ponson and Mr. Marco Antonio Wix, Sales Director of Aruba Concorde Hotel.

REVISION IN GAS OIL AND KEROSENE PRICES

Influenced by the price of crude oil on the world market, the following revisions were made in the prices of gas oil and kerosene. As of July 10, the price of kerosene dropped by 1,4 cents per liter and its price for the retailer 42,6 cents per liter, and for the consumer 51,3 cents per liter. The price of gas oil dropped by 1,9 cents its price for the retailer 41,9 cents per liter, and at the service stations 45,8 cents per liter.

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A MATTER CONCERN

A Bank is supposed to be an institution that enjoys the complete and undisputed confidence of the members of the community. There fore even the slightest sign of an irregularity immediately awakens the concern of the people. It is in that light that we adopt as our editorial this week the editorial of the May edition of ATIA NEWS, a monthly publication of the Aruba Trade and Industry Association. Lately the "Banco di Desarrollo N.V." our Aruban Development Bank, has received a great deal of publicity. As a result of the appointment of the ex-commissioner of Finance as director of the Bank, the members of the opposition in the Island Council have demanded discussion of this issue in public meetings of the Island Council. The legal advice requested by the Island Council stated that the procedures followed in this appointment were correct. However this was to be expected, since the person who signed this advice was himself a member of the Board of the Bank. He should have advised the Island Council of this undeniable conflict of interest. During the public meetings of the Island Council, the names of persons who have received loans from the bank were disclosed in the local newsmedia. It is to be lamented, that an infringement on banking secrecy has taken place. How ever because of these disclosed questions are being raised as to whether "Banco di Desarrollo" has provided rules according to the objectives as stated in its articles of association. The taxpayers of Aruba have every right to be concerned, since as it appears from the financial statements year ending 1983, the only shareholder was the Island Government of Aruba. Furthermore, the capital not paid-in of Naf. 16,000, 000.- in principle is due from shareholders on demand. The Bank's objectives are to promote and provide financial assistance to new projects and enterprises, and/or expansion of existing enterprises which in the opinion of the Bank are significant and important to the island of Aruba, to strive for and to promote a soundly balances and diversified economic development of the island of Aruba, by the provision of such financial assistance as may be needed and is feasible within the capacity of the Bank to provide. In an information leaflet supplied by the Development Bank, it specifically announced that only projects, in which a new product would be introduced or in which a new market for an existing product would be developed, would be considered by the Bank. Of all the loans disclosed an amount of approximately Naf. 80,000 was given to persons which are not registered in any way as acting in behalf of an enterprise. And since a "project" is defined as being a written proposal or business plan related to the management and financing to begin or expand an enterprise, one gets the idea that these are personal loans which definitely are not within the scope of a Development Bank. A remaining more or less 2 million guilders of loans are given for commercial enterprise e.a. a supermarket, liquor store, butchery, flowershop security service, or even the financing of a physicians practice. In our judgement, these loans are contradictory to the objectives of the Bank. In addition, many

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Village Talk



by **WILLY**

Willy wondah wha' else dey comin' wid. Fuss it was "brandstof clause" now is "waarborgsom" All ah dat sound loik Greek to poo Willy.

A fella tell Willy dat he wife join a joggin' club, but when she come home from joggin' she does be knock ouk dat she can't do nuttin'. He say he got to do all de wuk in de house.

A old lady tell Willy dat she had jus' tek off she pot ah red peas soup off de stove Sunday when de high wind pass. She say de wind turn ovah de pot an she dumplins dem went rollin' thru de kitchen door.

A Curacao fella who livin in Aruba fo' plenty years ask Willy ef when we get we Status Aparte ef we goin' stop he from dancin' tambu on new years

Willy hear dat de polees dem in Bonaire plannin' to baha pisa, de number sellers dem de bingo players an' de card gamblers Aruba look ouk !!!

Willy hear dat de high wind frighten a rastaman so much dat now he tie dong he shack wid rope on de four soids.

A fella tell Willy dat it got so much ah people from Aruba in St. Maartin dat now dey callin a place up dere San Nicolas.

A fella from up de hill tell Willy dat he come dong to buy a bottle ah rum an' he park up he bicycle by the rumshop, he say when he come ouk he meet he bicycle wid one wheel.

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ORANJESTAD - Mr. Tommy Lees, head of the Government Information Service, representing the Lieutenant Governor of Aruba, Mr. Pedro Bislip, placed a wreath at the bust of Simon Bolivar on the 174th anniversary of the independence of Venezuela on July 5.

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WILLEMSTAD—The public relations department of A.L.M. announced in a communique that as of July 26, the airline will no longer transport passengers from Haiti to the United States. Haitian authorities had given A.L.M. permission after Air Florida went bankrupt and the connection between Haiti and Miami remained solely in the hands a-

go Haiti decided to start its own airline, Haiti Air, which naturally must get protection from the Haitian government, which is customary in the world of aviation. Although A.L.M. regrets the decrease in production it also understands Haiti's position and is seeking an alternative to utilise its fleet optimally.

Warning! Loud Music Can Be Bad for Your Eyesight

Loud music can impair your vision, research reveals.

Ten students at Clarkson College in New York listened to music at a comfortable level of 70 decibels,

then at a high-noise level of 107 decibels. And eight of the 10 showed a decrease in their ability to see well while listening to the louder music, reports American Family Physician magazine.

Seat of the Matter

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Church shelters illegal alien

ST. LOUIS, Missouri (UPI) — A church is sheltering an illegal alien from El Salvador who says he fled his country because he was arrested and tortured for joining a labor union, the church's pastor said yesterday.

The man, who uses the fictitious name of Manual Rivas, has sought refuge at several churches in the United States that support the Sanctuary Movement, an organization that has announced it will defy U.S. immigration laws to help refugees from Central America.

Rivas arrived Sunday at Immanuel Lutheran church on the city's north side.

The church's pastor, the Reverend Theodore Schroeder, asked that no one take Rivas' picture. About 100 people greeted Rivas at the church.

"His safety, and that of his family is at stake," Schroeder said.

Rivas acknowledged the risk of being an "undocumented" alien in the United States.

"But it is better to be alive in America than dead in El Salvador," he said.

He said he joined a labor union in El Salvador and became a leader in the "struggle for freedom" after he saw 300 students killed during a protest at the National University in El Salvador.

"The demonstration was machine-gunned that afternoon," he said. "The guards drove tanks over the dead bodies, and then the Fire Department hosed the bodies away."

Rivas said that after he joined the union he was arrested and tortured for 30 days.

Immanuel Lutheran church is the first church in St. Louis to offer shelter to illegal refugees from El Salvador and Guatemala.



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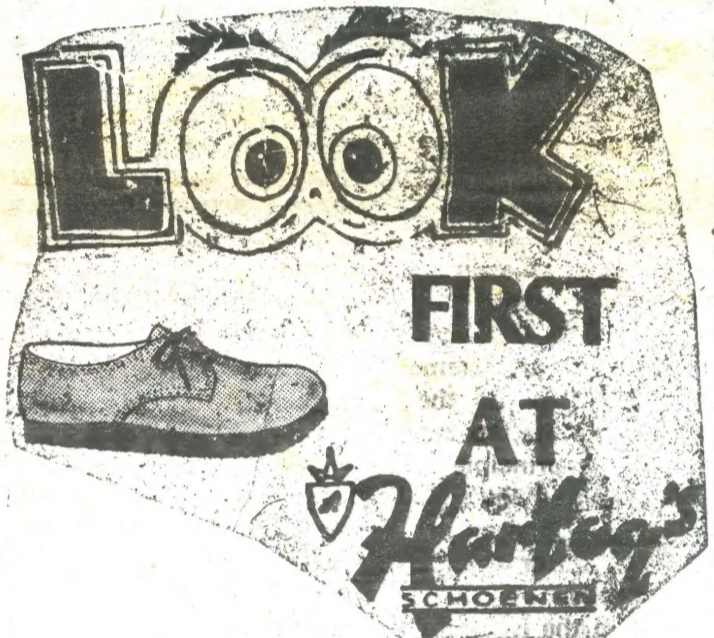
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60 Million U.S. Adults Take Vitamins

A surprising 60 million American adults take vitamins — and 51 million take them every day or almost every day, according to the Vitamin Nutrition Information Service.

Of all adult Americans who take vitamins, 68 percent take multivitamins, and more than half of these take a multivitamin that contains minerals and/or iron.

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Britain lifts ban on Argentina imports

LONDON, England (UPI) — Britain yesterday announced the lifting of a three-year ban on imports from Argentina that has been in effect since the 1982 Falklands War.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government took the unilateral step in an effort to break a diplomatic impasse between London and Buenos Aires, an official source said. "We've taken a step out of an impasse that has existed since talks between our two countries broke down in Berne, Switzerland in July last year," the source said.

He said Britain hopes Argentina will now lift its ban on British imports and other steps can be taken towards restoring diplomatic relations. The Foreign Office announced the lifting of the ban in a written answer issued in Parliament.

"We are lifting, with effect from midnight tonight, the ban on imports from Argen-

tina which has been in place since April 1982," said the statement made on behalf of Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe.

"In our view, better relations with Argentina can only realistically be achieved by seeking agreement on practical issues," it said.

The announcement was made as Howe was leaving for a weeklong visit to Brazil. Brazilian officials in London have been representing Argentine interests since Buenos Aires and London broke off diplomatic relations after Argentina invaded the Falklands April 2, 1982.

"The question of sovereignty over the Falkland Islands is not for discussion," the statement said, but the source said there was a sincere British wish to restore diplomatic relations.

Argentine governments since the war have insisted that rela-

tions cannot be restored until Britain agrees to discuss Argentine claims to the islands.

In the last full year of trade, 1981, Argentine exported goods worth 137 million pounds (\$178 million at current exchange rates) to Britain while the British exported 161 million pounds worth (\$209.3 million) to Argentina. Chief Argentine exports were meat, meat products, wood, leather and maize.

The source said the British government had no previous assurance from the Argentines of any reciprocal gesture to the lifting of the ban. "We want to move ahead in areas we think are realistically of benefit to their needs," he said.

The two sides held talks in Switzerland last year but the session quickly came to a halt after the British delegation refused to discuss Argentine claims to the islands.



"Shall I turn on the windshield wipers?" NATIONAL ENQUIRER

ISLAND COUNCIL APPROVED CHANGE OF STATUTE

ORANJESTAD—During an extra-ordinary Island Council meeting which lasted until 6 a.m. Sunday the members of the Aruba Island Council voted to approve a change in the statute concerning the separation of Aruba (Status Aparte) from the other islands of the Netherlands Antilles on January 1, 1986 and complete independence ten years later. All council members, except the three-man opposition P.P.A.

party faction, who abstained voted yes to change the statute. The P.P.A. party claims to be wholeheartedly in favor of the Status Aparte, but disapproves of it being coupled to a date for the independence of Aruba. The party is of the opinion that the people of Aruba should decide when they want independence. The motion will be officially accepted during a meeting on July 18.

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	May (provisional)		Growth %
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Charter flights	1.4	2.6	- 46
Total traffic	183.3	175.7	+ 4
Capacity available	276.2	259.1	+ 7
Load factor %	66.3	67.8	
	April through May		Growth %
	1985	1984	
flights	184.3	173.6	+ 6
passengers	159.8	158.8	+ 1
freight	10.2	7.1	+ 43
Charter flights	2.2	5.0	- 57
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MONEY LAUNDERING

The exposure by a recent commission of inquiry of the money-laundering activities of some commercial banks and trust companies in the Bahamas has done nothing to discourage new banks from settling in this tax haven. According to a Central Bank spokesman, applications from American, European and Far Eastern banks are at record levels despite new supervisory controls introduced by Bahamian bank authorities. There are 367 banks and trust companies currently licensed in the Bahamas. Although 13 have

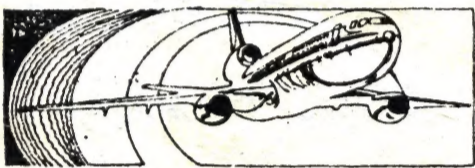
had their place. A number of applications have also been turned down. "We are after quality not quantity", the Central Bank representative said. Among the banks most recently are Coutes & Company Ltd., bankers to the Queen, and the Bank of Helsinki, Finland's third largest bank. In addition a number of U.S. banks already in operation in the Bahamas have asked to have their licenses extended to include trust company operations. And several other banks are working towards establishing a physical presence

in the Bahamas. Significantly, some banks which had earlier quit the Bahamas for the Cayman Islands have also returned while others with part of their operations in that British colony have transferred them to the Bahamas. The shift from the Caymans reflects the growing concern over last July's agreement between Britain and the United States that allows U.S. narcotics investigators access to Cayman bank accounts. U.S. law enforcement agencies have been equally anxious to crack bank secrecy in the Baha-

mas because of alleged money-laundering. Last December a Bahamas commission investigating drug related corruption, expressed its own concern over the way some bankers and attorneys had used the country's bank secrecy laws to facilitate the drug trade. In many respects the commission's revelations have proven a blessing in disguise, forcing Bahamian banking authorities to scrutinise the activities of the banking sector a great deal more closely. The Central Bank, which began taking steps to halt the practice even before the commission's final report in December, has significantly expanded its supervisory department over the last two years. The hands off policy previously adopted has given way to what Bank Governor William Allen describes as "sympathetic supervision of the banking sector. In practice the Central Bank now analyses all annual balance sheets and supplementary data/information that may be requested, and holds "prudential discussions" with bank principals when warranted. The banks themselves have also taken steps towards greater self-regulation. In January the Association of International Banks and Trust Companies in the Bahamas adopted a Swiss style code con-

duct that lays down the rules governing relationships between member banks and their clients. The Association is empowered to reject new or continued membership of any bank that refused to cooperate. The code, which reaffirms the right to privacy, deals with "know your customer rules", the rejection of customers involved in crimes other than tax evasion, which is not an offence under Bahamian law, and demands for confidential information. While prepared to cooperate with the U.S. on criminal matters, the Bahamas has made clear that it cannot be expected to change its fundamental laws to accommodate U.S. attempts to track down tax evaders. Both governments have discussed the possibility of an exchange of information agreement which is mandatory for countries to take advantage of the U.S. convention tax exemption under President Reagan's Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI). Although the Bahamas was named a CBI trade beneficiary in March it has not applied for convention tax exemption because of the repercussions on the banking industry. The Bahamas has lost approximately US 100 million dollars in U.S. convention business since the tax was imposed nine years ago. The banking industry on the other hand, contributes more than 100 million dollars to the company every year.

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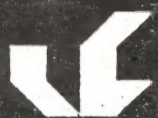
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ORANJESTAD—Lieutenant Governor Pedro Bislip bade farewell to Chaplain Spaans who served at the Savaneta Marines Camp for 3 years. At the same time he welcomed Chaplain Feenstra (second from left), who will replace Chaplain On the right is Drs. J.H.G. Driessen, president of the "Prime Willem" Military home foundation.



ORANJESTAD—Representatives of Concorde Hotels in 14 countries attended the annual Sales and Marketing meeting in Aruba. They were the guest at a dinner offered by the Aruba Concorde Hotel in the La Serre Restaurant where they enjoyed the new Crazy Horse II show.

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Former President Carter criticizes Reagan

GENEVA, Switzerland (UPI) — Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter criticized the Reagan administration yesterday for doing too little to provide assistance to developing countries.

He singled out Washington's reluctance to assist Third World population control programs.

Attending an international workshop on poverty and famine, Carter told a news conference that the public "reacted very well" by giving aid to Ethiopia, The Sudan and other African countries.

"But the developed countries are not doing nearly enough and the U.S. is behind others," Carter said.

While many developing countries are trying to control their population, Carter said, the Reagan Administration "has an aversion" to such programs and is failing to provide funds.

Carter emphasized, however, that the needy countries of the world "can't depend for ever" on the richer nations and must in the long run help themselves, "all the way down from Prime Ministers to individual farmers."

He noted the success of India and Pakistan in developing their own national agricultural programs.

Carter also criticized linkage between humanitarian aid and the political systems of needy nations.

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Why Paul Newman Looks So Good at 60

By RICHARD TAYLOR

Even though Paul Newman has turned 60, he looks and feels far younger — thanks to daily exercise and a super-healthy diet, friends reveal.

"Paul's in great shape. You'd never guess he's 60 years old," said one pal.

"He's got the body of a 30-year-old. He's not a pound overweight, his stomach is as flat as a board, and he's trim all over. He has an incredible youthful look and never appears tired.

"Paul works at keeping fit. He has a regular diet and fitness program. He makes sure he exercises every day

He Relies on Healthy Diet, Exercise — And Ice Cube Facial Baths

and is very careful about what he eats.

"He tries to stay away from fatty foods, red meat and foods high in sodium.

"He won't eat fried foods, processed foods or frozen foods like TV dinners. He enjoys fresh fish and chicken. He likes canned tuna, but always gets the type canned in water, not oil.

"He eats plenty of fruits and vegetables, and he's big on salads."

Newman starts each morning with a ride on an exercise bike, which gives his heart a good workout. Then he does 100 sit-ups, which keeps his stomach flat. When he's at his home in Westport, Conn., he also takes a long morning walk, the friend said.

"He's also very strict with himself about keeping pounds off. If he catches himself overweight, he'll cut back on calories."

Another friend added:

"Paul's secret to his youthful appearance could be the fact that every morning he

puts his face into a sink filled with ice cubes.

"He says it improves the circulation to the skin and helps maintain a smooth skin texture."



COOKING up a meal, Paul stays away from things like fats, red meat and other types of unhealthy food.



PAUL NEWMAN
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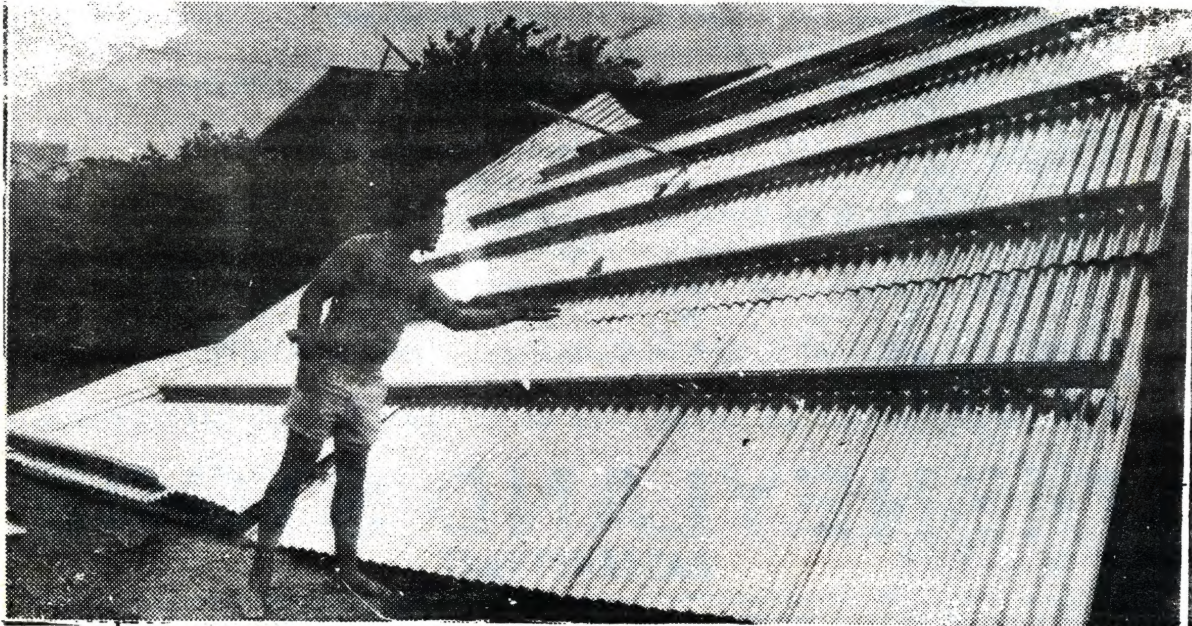
HEAVY WINDS HIT ARUBA

ORANJESTAD—Shortly after 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon rare 42-knots strong winds hit Aruba causing damage to many houses in several parts of the island. Hardest hit was San Nicolas, where the wind carried away the roofs of 9 houses and damaged many others. Fences and television antennas were also destroyed.

The antenna tower of Radio Caruso Booi FM at Tamarijn, collapsed under pressure. Homes in the districts of Savaneta, Piedra Plat, Tanki Leendert, Tanki Flip, Hooiberg, Seroe

Compa and Dakota were damaged by the whirlwind. Police say there were no personal injuries in the phenomenon that was accompanied by rainfall.

READ THE LOCAL



From the Guinness Book of World Records

RETURN OF MONEY

Jim Priceman, 44, assistant cashier at New York City's Doft & Co., found an envelope containing \$37.1 million in negotiable bearer certificates on a snowy Wall Street sidewalk. The certificates are similar to checks that can be cashed by anyone, but Priceman returned them to A.G. Becker Inc. After announcing a reward of \$250, the Becker company was acclaimed as "being all heart."



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The REAL Reason Wives Outlive Their Husbands

By **ARLINE BRECHER**

The real reason men don't live as long as women is because they try to act tough and macho — they think it's "sissy" to take care of their health, they take too many risks and they keep feelings bottled up inside, which creates unhealthy stress.

That's the conclusion of Dr. Marc B. Lipton, a Johns Hopkins University psychologist, who told *The ENQUIRER*:

"Wives outlive their husbands by 8 to 10 years on the average, not because women are biologically stronger, but primarily because men commonly deny their vulnerability. Men pretend to themselves and others that they are immortal.

"For example, because a 'macho man' considers taking care of himself 'sissy stuff,' the average husband is far less likely than his wife to go for an annual physical, watch his weight, exercise, take medications as prescribed, stop smoking, take vitamins — or even brush his teeth."

To show off their manhood and prove how brave

... And How They Can Help Hubbies Live Longer, Too

they are, men also take too many risks that threaten their health, Dr. Lipton says.

"They drive too fast — and speed on icy highways; brave snowstorms without a hat, coat or galoshes, and pursue risky sports such as skydiving or motorcycling," he pointed out.

Macho men also keep their fears and uncertainties to themselves in the belief that a show of emotion will be interpreted as a sign of weakness, Dr. Lipton said.

The internal pressure of

these pent-up emotions eventually explodes in the form of sickness or disease.

Unable to deal with their stress in a constructive, healthy manner, men tend to resort to excessive drinking, smoking, overeating or taking drugs, which also shortens their lives, Dr. Lipton explained.

Wives can help their husbands take better care of themselves and live longer, Dr. Lipton said, by following these suggestions:

1. Make it clear to your husband you value him more than the material things he provides.
2. Show encouragement and approval when your husband does anything to take better care of himself — going for a checkup, losing weight, etc.
3. Discourage any "macho-style" risk-taking. "Anytime he indulges in foolhardy behavior, let him know what you think: 'That was not brave — that was downright stupid!'"
4. Hire professional help for any "big-muscle" jobs that might strain or injure

your husband if he attempts them himself.

5. When your husband shows his emotions, stay cool. "Men who can't let their hair down often have learned to keep things to themselves for fear of upsetting their wives," Dr. Lipton noted.

6. If your husband hates cocktail parties or ballet performances, don't trigger his anxiety by insisting that

he attend these functions.

Dr. Lipton's advice was heartily endorsed by Dr. Stanley Platman, a University of Maryland psychiatrist, and Dr. Danilo Ponce, a University of Hawaii psychiatrist.

"In most marriages, it's a continuing battle for wives to get their macho mates to be more attentive to their health," Dr. Ponce said. "But it's better than living alone."

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prised of: Monica Apon, Eulaie Meyers, Elaine Gumbs, Elsie Wilson, and Linda Badejo, from the Dutch side, and Mrs. Chaville from Marigot, French St. Martin. The delegates will participate in the various organized workshop on teaching, development health care, peace and labor. The trip was made

possible through the financial aid of the Dutch government, the island government, the Chinese Business Association, Mullet Bay Hotel, Summit Hotel, Little Bay Hotel, Pelican Resort, Fatum, Peacock Casino, Windward Island Bank, S.M.T.C., Jayar Trading and Superkleen N.V..



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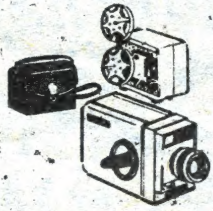
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Half a Ton of Belly Laughs

Looking like two leaning towers of pizza, big-bellied Britons George Macaree and John Robinson pack a whopping 1,057 pounds of fat between them! Macaree (left) wrecks the scales at 539 pounds, while Robinson is a "mere" 518 pounds. The big guys are both from London.

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These 1930s prices aren't really such a "steal" when you realize it took the typical worker nearly an hour to earn enough money to pay for them; But in 1982, a person only had to work just over half an hour to buy those same two food items, reveals a surprising government survey. People today actually spend less of their day working for their daily bread than they did 50 years ago, declared Lloyd Teigen of the Agriculture Department. For instance in 1930 a person worked 50 minutes to buy a dozen eggs—but in 1982, the latest year for which figures are available, they cost less than nine minutes work. In another surprise, the study found that Americans spend only about 16 percent of their income on food, compared to 34 percent by the Russians and a whopping 56 percent by people in India. What happens to the money Americans are saving on their food budgets? Says Teigen, People may be working longer to make their house payment or to put gasoline in their car. The chart below compares the amount of time a typical wage earner had to work to buy basic foods for four different years.

A BATTLE BETWEEN THE BIBLE AND SCIENCE?

Robert McClain P.O.Box 410-Oranjestad, Aruba N.A.

Is there a battle between the Bible and science? Some think so. In the last two articles we have talked about the Humanist and their views of biblical truth. There is a definite conflict between the two. We need to examine the evidence to see whether that conflict is valid, or is a misconception of truth. Categorically, I can say that the conflict need not to be if we examine what the Bible says and the testimony of some people who should know if any can know. Let's listen, first of all, to a man who has seven earned degrees in science and theology including a Ph.D. from Oxford. He says that the conflict is in what people SAY science says and what people say the Bible says. Dr. Harold J. Sala, Guidelines For Family Living (GFL, No. Christmas 1984 .5) agrees with Dr. Orr, saying: "Orr is right! If God is one—if there is only one God then there cannot be one God revealed by the Bible, and a different God revealed by the findings of science. "Perhaps, you are like Louis Pasteur who went to church on Sunday and worshipped God—then went into his laboratory expecting a different revelation of God than he found in the Bible. God has revealed His Word in Scripture—His work in science. Scripture deals with texts while science deals with facts, Scriptural texts involve interpretation—or lead to interpretation. Scientific facts lead to theories. The interpretation of Scripture should be checked against the texts of Scripture. The Bible deals with life—past, present, and future. Science deals with the world in which man lives "The Bible isn't a textbook on science though it is scientifically accurate

in the statements it makes. The Bible is a textbook on living. It does, however, give us some of the answers to questions that have continually risen in the hearts of man. Science has a theory for the creation of the World, but it cannot answer the question of what caused the initial reaction which produced the world. It is here the Bible begins by affirming the existence of GOD. The Bible states very simply—in beginning GOD. The Bible deals with the question of WHAT HAPPENED. Science deals with HOW IT HAPPENED. "Whether a person is a Christian or an atheist, he begins with FAITH. The Christian begins with faith in God. The evolutionist begins with FAITH in a theory. Facts are incontrovertible while theories are the extension of facts into an area of probability or possibility. Facts can be proven—theories cannot, I believe the facts of science parallel the texts of Scripture. Both can be proven and are in agreement with each other. Human interpretations of the Bible like the theories of science can neither be proven nor disproven, so the question that must be faced is this: Do the facts of science (not theories) square with the texts of Scripture? I believe they do. "At some points we still do not have enough scientific knowledge to relate some apparent findings of science with Scripture. An example of this is the geological ages in the story of creation many of our leading scientists are beginning to say exactly what the Bible has asserted in broad statements for 3500 years. The creation account in the book of Genesis is not a mythical account of what may have taken

place in the formation of the world. Rather it is an actual record of seven creative periods or days. "Enrico Fermi, the scientist who engineered the splitting of the first atom at the University of Chicago, believes that 99 o/o of matter originally came from hydrogen and helium, and as the result of studying atomic fission, he believes that within 30 minutes after an initial explosion the heavier elements were formed. This is consistent with the statement of fact in Genesis 1:1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth, One of our leading astronomers, contends that the world was in darkness before the sun was formed. Again the scientist is saying the same thing that Moses said in Genesis 1. The Bible tells you WHAT took place, science tells you HOW. The Bible asserts that God is the force behind creation—science offers no explanation of the cause behind the effect. The psalmist said, by the word of the Lord (by decree of the Lord) the heavens were made (Psalm 19:1). The new Testament declares, Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God 11:3) Again Paul said, and he is before all things and by Him all things consist (Col. 1:17) Settle it in your mind—one God who reveals his works in science, His word in the Bible.

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"I wish you wouldn't keep talking about your marriage," the bartender told a customer. "This is supposed to be the happy hour."

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What Those Fancy Restaurant Terms Mean

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A la — a French term meaning "in the style of."

A la bourguignonne — foods prepared in Burgundy wine sauce.

A la carte — dishes that have to be individually ordered, as distinct from a complete meal that usually includes an appetizer, salad, main course and dessert for one price.

A la king — chopped food, usually chicken or turkey, in cream sauce with sliced mushrooms and pimiento.

A la maison — in the style

of the restaurant, or the house specialty.

A la mode — pie or dessert topped with a scoop of ice cream.

Al dente — pasta cooked until tender but still firm.

Amandine — made or served with almond nuts.

Au gratin — a dish that's browned in oven or broiler, usually topped with buttered bread crumbs or grated cheese or both.

Au jus — food, usually roast beef, served in its own juices.

Beurre — the French word for butter.

Brulee — French for burned, used to describe foods glazed with caramelized sugar.

Butterfly — to split food down the center but not quite all the way through so that the two halves can be opened flat like butterfly wings. Often done with large shrimp, or a thick fillet of steak when ordered well-done.

Cafe au lait — coffee with milk or cream.

Canape — small toast pieces covered with food spread.

Carte du jour — menu of the day.

Coq — French for rooster

as in coq au vin, when it's cooked in wine.

Cordon Bleu — filled with cheese, ham or Canadian bacon.

Crepe — thin French pancakes.

Du jour — it means "of the day," like soup du jour.

En brochette — food that is cooked on a skewer.

En cocotte — cooked in a casserole.

En croute — wrapped in or topped with a crust.

Entree — the main course.

Flambe — desserts soaked in liquor and set ablaze.

Fricassee — this describes chicken or small game that's cooked in a sauce, usually with vegetables, after first being cut up and browned.

Fromage — French for cheese.

Hors d'oeuvres — foods served as appetizers.

Julienne — cut in thin strips.

Marinate — to steep meat, fish, fowl, vegetables or other savory food in a spicy liquid for several hours until the food absorbs the flavor.

Poisson — French for fish.

Poulet — French for chicken.

Provencale — dishes that are served with garlic, onion, mushrooms, herbs and olive oil.

Puree — to grind to paste either by pressing through a food mill or whirling in an electric blender.

Ragout — a hearty brown stew, highly seasoned.

Sauteed — fried in a small amount of hot fat.

Souffle — very light egg mixture, whipped to a froth, then baked until puffy.

Stir-fry — Oriental method of briskly tossing or stirring foods as they fry.

Veau — French for veal.

Vlande — French for meat.

Volaille — French for poultry.

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Phobias Disrupt the Lives Of 15 Million Americans

About 15 million Americans suffer from phobias — irrational fears — that can interfere with daily living. And about one million are so disabled by their phobias that they can't work outside the home or manage everyday tasks, reveals a newsletter from Stanford University Medical Center. The seven most common phobias people have are fear of snakes, heights, storms, doctors, sickness, injury and death.

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Singles Over 50 Aren't as Lonely As You Think

It's a myth that most older single people are lonely, a recent survey reveals. Only 2 percent of unmarried men and women over 50 say they are "almost always" lonely, according to the study, conducted by Consumers Union. And just 14 percent say they feel lonely "often." But a whopping 50 percent declare they are "hardly ever" lonely.

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Shell wants to join Exxon in Colombia coal venture

BOGOTA, Colombia (UPI) — The Shell Coal Corp. has offered to buy the Colombia government's share of Cerrejon Norte, a major coal-mining project, "El Tiempo" newspaper here reports. Carbocol is developing the \$3.3 billion Cerrejon Norte Mine in a joint partnership with Intercor, a subsidiary of Exxon. Carbocol and Intercor have already invested \$1.8 billion in the project. Colombia has exported coal from the project located in the desert of the Guajira peninsula that juts into the Caribbean all over the world.

Czech boy drugs father-pilot and takes plane to Austria

VIENNA, Austria (UPI) — Three young Czechoslovaks seeking political asylum Monday commandeered a small plane piloted by the father of one of the youths and flew beneath radar range across the border into Austria, an Interior Ministry spokesman confirmed today. Struz senior apparently regained consciousness in time to land the plane which was running out of fuel, the police spokesman said. He said it was probable the young men forced Struz to land the plane, because Radek was not experienced enough to carry out a landing. The plane touched down in a field near the town of Ravelbach some 25 km. (18 miles) from the border and about 60 km. (40 miles) northwest of Vienna, the spokesman said. Radek, Zenata and Nepivoda went to the police station there to ask for political asylum, the Interior Ministry spokesman said. Struz senior, a pilot and an officer, presumably in the Czechoslovak Airforce, asked to be returned to his native country, the ministry spokesman said. Radek steered the plane below radar range at the border and crossed undetected into neutral Austria with the unconscious father and two friends Oldrich Zenata, 22, and Thomas Nepivoda, 19, aboard, he said.

Everything You Need to Know About Constipation

What is constipation? What can you do about it? Here's everything you should know about this troubling condition, according to medical experts.

Causes in adults: One of the most common causes of constipation is overuse of laxatives, resulting in dependence.

Another common culprit is irritable bowel syndrome, also called nervous gut or spastic colon. This causes spasms in the lower colon.

Other causes are pregnancy, which trigger hormonal changes; bad bowel habits, such as ignoring the urge to defecate, and diets high in animal fats, meats, dairy products, eggs and rich desserts.

Travel can also cause constipation, possibly due to changes in schedule, drinking water, diet and life-style. Other causes may be nerve damage to or pressure on the spinal cord or diseases and disabilities such as Parkinson's disease, stroke, tumors, cancer, scarring or inflammation.

Stress can also lead to constipation. And certain drugs may also cause it — including pain relievers, antacids containing aluminum, drugs for the relief of high blood pressure, tranquilizers and antidepressant drugs.

Older people sometimes suffer from constipation because of poor diet, not drinking enough fluids, lack of exercise, drugs taken for other conditions and poor bowel habits.

Causes in children: Consti-

pation in children is usually due to poor bowel habits.

In a small number of children there are other causes, including abnormalities of the spinal cord, thyroid deficiency, nerve problems, mental retardation or certain inherited metabolic disorders.

Misconceptions about constipation: Many people worry over the frequency of their bowel movements, thinking they should have at least one daily. But what is normal can vary considerably — anything from three a day to three a week.

If you are in good health, then chances are the frequency of your bowel movements is probably normal for you.

Prevention and treatment in adults: Drink plenty of fluids, eat a well-balanced diet that includes unprocessed bran, whole wheat products, prunes and prune juice. Never ignore the urge to defecate, and try to get regular exercise.

Don't abuse laxatives, although if you're on a trip and become constipated, you may safely use suppositories and laxatives for four or five days.

Enemas should be used only in a manner recommended and supervised by a doctor.

If you are constipated for two to four weeks, see a doctor.

Prevention and treatment in children: Follow direc-



ORANEJSTAD—Police Inspector Alwin Nectar, third from left, paid an introductory visit to the Lieutenant Governor of Aruba, Mr. Pedro Bilsip, accompanied by Inspector Nicolaas and acting Commissioner Walter Kramers.

tions for adults except instead of bran, emphasize fibers from various natural sources.

If your child is constipated for two or three weeks, take him to a doctor.

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- negative cable from engine;
- negative cable from negative terminal of booster battery;
- positive cable from booster battery;
- positive cable from battery of discharged vehicle.

Precautions: 0 Goggles and neoprene gloves should be worn servicing batteries. 0 Take precautions to never short-circuit batteries. 0 Avoid leaning over discharged battery when making connection to engine. 0 Always double-check the polarity before attempting starting of the defective ve-

hicle. 0 Never stand in pool of water while connecting jumper cables.

DOCTOR CARDS TO BE STAMPED

ORANJESTAD—During the month of July yellow and pink doctor cards will be stamped for the second half of the year. Persons in possession of a yellow or pink card that was stamped for the first part of the year do not need to apply for a form at the Census Office. The stamp can be obtained only in the morning during working hours at the office of social care in Oranjestad.

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That bit of folk wisdom ranked highest in believability out of a dozen common sayings. Coming in second was "Don't count your chick-

ens before they hatch," which was believed by 93 percent of those quizzed. Last on the list was "The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence," believed by only 38 percent, according to the study by the marketing research firm R.H. Bruskin Associates.

Vegetarians Have Stronger Bones

Elderly people who are vegetarians have stronger bones than elderly meat-eaters, according to an article in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition. Researchers measured the loss of minerals in the bones of elderly people who had been vegetarians for 20 years or

longer, and found that men in this group had a bone-mineral loss of 3 percent — compared to 18 percent among elderly non-vegetarian men. Among women, elderly vegetarians had a bone-mineral loss of 7 percent, while elderly meat-eating women had a loss of 35 percent.

KLM'S RESULTS IN FISCAL 1984/85

KLM announces the most important figures of the financial year ended March 31, 1985. For comparison, the figures of the previous financial year are included. They have been adjusted to the altered presentation based on new legal provisions.

(In millions of guilders)

	1984/85	1983/84	Difference %
Operating revenues			
Traffic revenues	4,799	4,243	+ 13
Other revenue	858	787	+ 9
	<u>5,657</u>	<u>5,030</u>	+ 12
Operating expenses			
Wages and social expenses	1,587	1,506	+ 5
Aircraft fuel	1,159	1,058	+ 10
Cost of materials and consumables	399	376	+ 6
Other operating expenses	1,946	1,749	+ 11
Depreciation	286	231	+ 24
	<u>5,377</u>	<u>4,920</u>	+ 9
Balance of operating revenues and operating expenses	280	110	
Financial gains and losses	(31)	(49)	
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets	25	10	
Share in result of minority holdings	5	8	
Operating result	<u>279</u>	<u>79</u>	
Balance of other income and (deductions)	11	24	
Net income	<u>290</u>	<u>103</u>	
Result in guilders per common share of Dfl. 20,- calculated on 38,824,600 shares (1984/85) and 38,318,000 shares (1983/84)	7.47	2.69	

No corporate tax is due on the earnings of fiscal 1984/85 because of net operating loss carry-forward credits.

A proposal will be made to the General Meeting of Shareholders, which will be held on Thursday, August 15, 1985, to add Dfl. 215 million to the reserve and to earmark Dfl. 75 million for the payment of a 5% dividend to holders of priority and preference shares and of a 8% dividend to the holders of common stock.

In the report period, KLM and NLM's traffic increased 10% to 2,180 million ton-miles, with a 3% increase in capacity to 3,114 million ton-miles. Passenger and baggage traffic was 9% higher than last year, cargo 14% and mail 27%. Charter traffic was 40% lower than last year. The load factor climbed from 65.4% to 70.0%.

With the 10% traffic growth, traffic revenues increased 13% with an increase in average yield per ton-mile of 3%.

The Annual Report will be published on July 24, 1985.

Study Reveals: What Makes A Teenager Turn to Drugs

The most important factor determining whether or not a young person uses drugs or alcohol is the company he keeps, University of Minnesota researchers have concluded.

"We grossly underestimate the influence of peers on kids," says David Johnson, professor of educational psychology at the university and coauthor of a two-year study of teen drug use.

"Within the same school, you can find groups where none of the kids are using drugs and groups where 90 percent of the kids are using drugs."



SAN NICOLAS—Fritz and Ethna Perrotte of Bungalow 1545, Seroc Colorado recently received the gracious news that their daughter Sabina was named to the Dean's list for the spring term 1985. Miss Sabina is a student at the Texas Lutheran College, in Seguin Texas. The Local extends heartiest congratulations to Sabina.

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ORANJESTAD—Construction of the "Casa Blanca" Restaurant reached its highest point Saturday and the flags were raised and the beer flowed. The restaurant is being built at Hudishibana, close to the California light house. The project is being financed with aid from the Dutch Government. Mr. Edwin Illidge (hoisting the flag) will be manager of the restaurant which he hopes to open officially on January 6, 1986.

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WILLEMSTAD, Curacao. — The Netherlands Antilles diocese has donated 30,000 florins to the Catholic Church of Ethiopia for the drought-stricken nation's starving population, Antilles Bishop W. Ellis said here today.

Monsignor Ellis said that he hopes nations around the world in a position to help will "aid those brothers who are dying daily" because they have nothing to eat or drink.



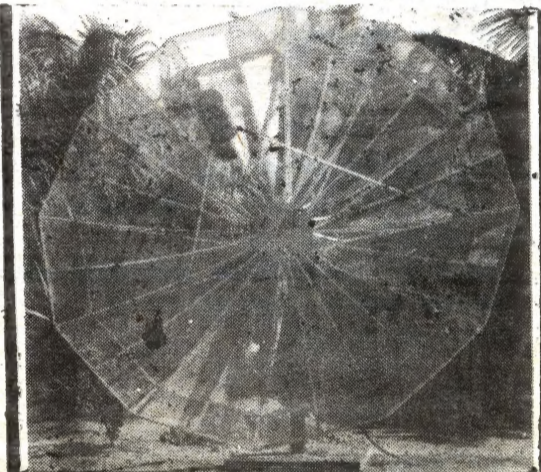
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of the abovementioned loans were given to close relatives of the Bank. In addition, many of the abovementioned loans were given to close relatives members of the Board of Directors, and hence raises the question whether favouritism plays an important role in the decision-making process of this board. Considering the loans that were granted it would be interesting to know which applications were refused on the basis that they were not within the scope of the Bank's objectives. Since large loans were given to badly managed companies, sound banking principles obviously were not important in the decision making process. When the Development Bank participates for approximately Naf. 300,000 in a data processing company, which happens to have strong family ties to a high government official, and which in our judgement is contrary to the Bank's objectives, the integrity of the Board of Directors is further questioned. It is inconceivable, that the shareholders of any local bank accept of their Board that roughly 60 percent of the loans granted (as disclosed) are against the objectives of the Bank. We hope that the Island Government will at least appoint conscientious members to the Board of Directors in the next general meeting of shareholders.

Higher phone costs will mean more letter-writing

POST OFFICES across the nation will probably be processing a lot more mail in coming years because of skyrocketing telephone rates.

The Commerce Department says phone charges in the U.S. will

rise a whopping 76 percent within the next four years due to inflation and deregulation. The basic monthly

charge for an average customer, the government agency reports, will increase from the present \$9.16 to more than \$16 by early 1986.

It says that the basic charge rose 17 percent over the past five years.

Rural areas will be hit even harder because of the higher cost of providing service.

The sad news points to more people using their telephones less and writing letters.



"For heaven's sake! The evening alone together will soon pass."

Anti-Nicaragua troops rob passengers and destroy boat

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua — (UPI) — Anti-Nicaragua troops backed by the C.I.A. seized a passenger boat traveling on a river near the Caribbean coast and set it afire, burning alive four soldiers hiding below deck, survivors said today.

Most residents in the English-speaking town of Bluefields on the Caribbean coast say they were stunned by the rebel operation, considered the largest ambush yet involving civilians.

Officials say about 100 passengers—including nine uniformed soldiers—boarded the "Bluefields Express" in Rama at midday Friday for the four-hour trip to Bluefields, 132 miles east of the capital.

About one hour into the trip, 30 rebels forced the boat to shore by firing bullets into the water. Survivors say they

asked the Sandinista soldiers to lay down their arms.

"There were children, women, and old people," says Jose Garcia, a technician with the state communications agency.

The rebels took all the civilians off the boat, robbed them, and ordered the soldiers out from below deck. Four emerged, but five remained below.

"It appears they thought they would be killed had they come out," Garcia says.

A rebel commander doused the deck with fuel and torched it, witnesses say. Four of the soldiers perished below deck while one jumped into the water with critical burns.

"They gave no explanation for why they wanted to burn the boat," says Roger Green, a Bluefields resident who teaches in the capital.

After robbing people of their money and valuables, the

rebels disappeared into the woods with four soldiers who surrendered, the ship's captain, and its mechanic.

No one has heard from them since.

"They warned us the next time we were on a boat with soldiers, they will burn us all," says Green.

"They told us they were fighting for our freedom," says Ray Hodgson, a pastor.

"But freedom is not depriving people of their possessions."

The passengers, many barefoot, managed to return to Bluefields by hitching rides on passing boats. Others were rescued by Army boats.

First Lieutenant Jose Mantilla, commanding military officer in Bluefields, says the troops identified themselves as members of the "Nicaraguan Democratic Force," or F.D.N., the largest of five anti-Nicaragua groups.

Activities That Cause Most Stress

Going to a party where you don't know anybody is the number one social activity that causes anxiety, according to a university

study.

Second in provoking anxiety around other people is giving a speech. Also high on the list are: being asked a personal question in public; the first day on a new job; talking with someone in authority, and going through a job interview, according to the publication Management Psychology.

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— Raymond J. Ross in Catholic Digest

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lary cut, and also the pressing problem about the future of the shell refinery in Curacao. Minister of Finance, Mr. Gilbert de Paula is the acting-prime Minister due to the fact that Ministers Hendrik Croes and Frank Rozendal are currently in Holland to discuss development cooperation and other matters with the dutch Government.



WILLEMSTAD—Jeannette Winklaar, Miss Teenage Curacao 1985. Jeannette will represent Curacao in the miss Teenage Antilles pageant in St. Eustatius next month.